



**MAKYBE RISE**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Makybe Rise News

## Principal's Message

Hello Makybe Rise Families

Our school embraced Harmony Day this week, enjoying the opportunity to learn about different cultures and beliefs and celebrate the ways that we are different and the same. The theme of Harmony Day is that everyone belongs and here at Makybe, we actively seek to make everyone feel welcome, known and understood. Thank you to all our families who supported school activities.

At Makybe, we are very proud of the many ways our staff and families work together to support our children to be as successful as they can be in their learning, their friendships and their extra-curricular activities. There is so very much to celebrate that we have established a school Facebook page where we will publish articles and information about events and achievements going on in our wonderful school.

This week, parents of students in Pre-primary have received individualised reports as a result of the compulsory On-Entry Assessment Program for all PP children in WA. I am pleased to report that Makybe's results show that our Kindergarten program is highly effective in preparing students for success in PP. Our

Makybe PP students significantly outperformed the state averages in both Literacy and Numeracy skills. A big contributor to this success is the proactive way our families work in partnership with our outstanding staff. Parents and teachers, together, really do make a difference.

Our children loved their recent swimming lessons and many signed up for our twilight swimming trials in preparation for the Baldyvis Interscholar Swimming Carnival. Our senior students also enjoyed the opportunity to compete against local schools last week at the annual BASSA Inter-School Summer Carnival.

Thank you to all our families who have sent in their PMM passports. We are excitedly looking forward to celebrating our community at our Movie Night on Thursday, 7 April.

It has been lovely to hear of many families' plans for this weekend's Easter public holidays. I wish you all a safe and happy break.

Steph McDonald  
Principal

## Morning Meetings

To ensure academic success it makes sense that schools identify the most appropriate strategies to teach literacy and numeracy. It makes just as much sense that if we are to expect children to be knowledgeable, responsible and caring, we must teach social and emotional skills, attitudes and values with the same structure and attention to detail.

At Makybe Rise PS, every class every day begins with a Morning Meeting. Morning Meeting is made up of four, sequential components. Each component intentionally provides opportunities for children to practice the skills of greeting, listening and responding, group problem solving,

and noticing and anticipating. The daily practice of these four components gradually weaves a web that bonds a class together.

Morning Meeting creates opportunities for children to practice social skills. It also creates opportunities for teachers to model these skills and give children valuable feedback. It provides practice in respectful behavior and helps children stretch the boundaries of their social world.

Our school Morning Meetings illustrate the way we wish our school to be - a community full of learning; safe and respectful and challenging for all.

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## IMPORTANT DATES

- **25 March - Good Friday Public Holiday**
- **28-29 March - Easter Public Holidays**
- **4 April - Makybe Magic Kids Morning Tea**
- **7 April - ANZAC Assembly**
- **7 April - PMM Movie Night**
- **25 April - ANZAC Day Public Holiday**
- **26 April - Student Free Day**
- **27 April - First day of Term 2 for students**
- **6 May - Junior Primary Assembly**
- **6 May - Parents Make a Difference: Kindy**
- **10-12 May - NAPLAN**
- **11 May - Parents Make a Difference: PP**
- **13 May - Upper Primary Assembly**
- **17 May - Fun Run**
- **20 May - PP Assembly**



*every child every day*

# Harmony Day in Room 35

In Week 8, Year 5 students in Room 35 celebrated Harmony Day. The motto for Harmony Day celebration is 'everyone belongs', celebrating Australia's multiculturalism.

We started our day with a community circle, sharing our common interests and embracing our differences. We discussed our family backgrounds and our 'home' countries - where our grandparents, parents or we were born. Do you know we have over 20 nationalities in our class alone? Our Year Fives pondered the essential question of how many nationalities there would be at Makybe Rise.

We read the beautifully written text 'Anh's Story'. This story tells of a young Anh and her experiences at school having a Vietnamese cultural background. After reading, students participated in a gallery walk answering levelled questions about the text. It was great to see lots of discussion, full of insightful comments about the text and on a larger scale, multiculturalism in Australia.

To conclude a wonderful Harmony Day, we learnt about how and why people from a range of cultures decorate their bodies. We watched a fascinating video clip about the tradition of Henna hand designs. We even illustrated our own Henna designs. These designs will be displayed in the library from Wednesday of Week 9.

Michelle Winship  
Classroom Teacher



## Fremantle Dockers Visit

On Monday, 29 February Makybe had three very special visitors! Fremantle Dockers - John Griffin, Daniel Pearce and Garrick Ibbotson - took time out of their busy pre season schedule to address students from Years Two to Six. John, Daniel and Garrick told the students about the paths they took to become players for the Fremantle Dockers Football Club.

The Dockers players also gave students an insight into the life of an elite AFL player. The players told the students about their weekly training regime and diet - taking the students through how these change throughout the week (game preparation versus post game recovery). They also spoke to the students about the importance of health and fitness in everyday life and the huge role that food plays in this.

The players went on to talk about life outside football - from study to community volunteer work - noting that every player in the Football Club undertook regular volunteer work at the same time as working towards their career after football - whether it be study or work experience.



The players then spent time answering questions from the students (No, they do not play elastics to relax and all three players agreed that their least favourite team were their cross town rivals!) before signing autographs for the students.

The staff and students of Makybe greatly enjoyed their visit!!

## Makybe's Very Own Published Author!

One of our very own Makybe students is now a published author!

Year Six student, Tahlia Matinca, recently had her first story, Cloud Puffs, published. Cloud Puffs is a story about the magic of friendship and the joy and colour that friends bring into our lives.

Tahlia spent time planning the story and considering what type of characters would appeal to her target audience of younger children. She decided to use different coloured clouds in her story to help teach younger children about colours, friendship and the importance and value of working together.

Tahlia is following in the footsteps of her mum, Emma, who has illustrated a number of childrens' books - including Cloud Puffs. Cloud Puffs was published by Serenity Press as part of their Kiddiwinks Program, which aims to get kids writing for kids, encouraging children to put their imagination onto paper for other children to enjoy. The first print run of 50 books has already sold out, with a second print run already planned!

Tahlia is now considering ideas for her second book... and she has some advice for any other kids out there thinking about writing a book, "Go for it because anything is possible" ...

Thanks for the great advice Tahlia; we wish you all the very best with your exciting writing career!



## Room 3's Hat-tastic Hats!

Every year in Pre-primary we develop our Technology and Enterprise skills by designing and constructing an Easter or Spring hat.

This year, our Room 3 students have excelled in their planning and construction skills. They have created a labelled hat design and made a list of materials they require to build their hat. They worked with their parents to plan step-by-step instructions on how to construct their hat, and over the past two days our fabulous Parent Helpers helped us to make them. They look amazing! We are so excited to be showing them off at our Hat-tastic Hat Parade tomorrow morning!

Amy Heart  
Classroom  
Teacher



## Keeping Makybe Beautiful

As part of the Keep Australia Beautiful initiative, a group of local Baldivis Girl Guides volunteered their time to clean up the oval at Makybe Rise. A number of the Baldivis Girl Guides group are current and past students of Makybe Rise (and Guide Leaders are Makybe Mums) so they especially enjoyed donning gloves and rubbish bags to help Keep Makybe Beautiful!

The school oval is enjoyed by not only students, but also locals living in the area, so it was lovely to see the Girl Guides giving back to the broader Baldivis community.

'They are such great girls and I think that Girl Guides teaches them community values and the importance of giving back,' Principal Steph McDonald said. 'We are fortunate to have mums within our community who are willing to step up and be trained as guide leaders.'

The Girl Guides provide girls with leadership training and opportunities to learn who they are and the impact they can have in their community.

The girls collected ten large bags of rubbish from the oval and all of us at Makybe would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their time and efforts ... Thanks girls!



## Makybe Rise P&C Inc. News

**Easter Raffle:** A huge thank you to everyone who has participated in our Easter Raffle. Easter Raffle prizes will be drawn on Thursday, 24 March and delivered to classrooms.



**Canteen:** Please note our canteen is open on Thursday, 24 March due to the public holiday on Friday.

When placing orders through: [www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au](http://www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au) please ensure you have updated your child's new teacher and classroom details to ensure their order goes to the correct room.

If you have any queries about the canteen, whether it be the menu or how to use Our Online Canteen, please pop in to see Katie and Laura or email: [makyberisecanteen@gmail.com](mailto:makyberisecanteen@gmail.com).

**Walking School Bus:** Our Walking School Bus has restarted and will continue to operate from Gecko Park in Tuart Ridge. If you would like some more information about this service, please email Renee on: [wsb6171@gmail.com](mailto:wsb6171@gmail.com).

For any P&C enquiries, please contact us via our Facebook page or by email: [makyberisepandc@gmail.com](mailto:makyberisepandc@gmail.com).

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Makybe Rise Primary School, Week 8 Term 1 2016

Hello everyone!!!

We are really excited about the rest of this term's program planning. Each day we have children willing to plan and implement their ideas. Along with staff support and guidance, YOUR child/ren have a big share in their day to day edu-care.

We have awesome 'Buddy Leaders' within the service who thrive on opportunities to extend their organisational skills. Anushke has many strengths. She prepared her cooking session and made scrummy caramel slice with others; she now wants to make it at home.

Miss Madison O loves crafts and she's willing to organise a crafts table for others to have a great time too.

Maya. F designed and set out a problem solving obstacle course where children and staff could participate. There was so much laughter and cheering happening; it's a popular BSC activity... such a fun environment for all to grow.

Holiday/Vacation is fast approaching! Makybe Rise Primary School Vacation Care will be operating during 11 April - 22 April; please make your bookings as soon as possible. Theme: 'Jungle Quest' is jam packed with exciting activities and fantastic incursion and excursions also. Look forward to seeing you all!

Parents; please inform us when your child will be absent or picked up by another person. Feel free to contact the service or inform staff or inform the teacher of any changes to your bookings.

Feel free to pop in and visit!

Beth (Service Coordinator)



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### Save on Care

Save 50% or more on Before and After School Care with the Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call our Customer Service Team on **1300 105 343**



### Holiday Clubs

Don't forget about the Camp Australia Holiday Clubs these school holidays. Use the Holiday Club

Finder on the website to find the nearest program:  
[www.campastralia.com.au/holidayclubs](http://www.campastralia.com.au/holidayclubs)



### Healthy Snacks

Afternoon tea is served daily.

Menus are tailored to children's tastes, developmental and nutritional needs. Afternoon tea includes a selection of yummy sandwiches and fruit. Children may also engage in fun cooking activities.

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# KIDS SPORT

IS BETTER THAN EVER!

APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



UWA Sport has created a new action-packed sports program to keep your child happy and active during the school holidays from 11–22 April.

The program focuses on participation and having fun while introducing your child to a wide range of sports in a friendly and non-competitive environment.

The new program includes:

- Early drop-off and late pick-up options
- Morning parent play (so you can have some fun too before heading off to work)
- Special daily “marquee” events – focussing on specific sports
- Bring a friend for free on 13 April – this great offer has limited places so book now!
- For children aged 5–13 years old

To enrol or for more information go to [sport.uwa.edu.au/kids-sport](http://sport.uwa.edu.au/kids-sport) or call 6488 2286

# Stand Up for The Real You!



- ✓ Are you feeling overwhelmed?
- ✓ Constantly struggling with the demands of everyday life?
- ✓ Tired of living up to unrealistic expectations?
- ✓ Not living up to your greatest potential?
- ✓ No time or energy for you or to do what you really enjoy?

Are you ready to start saying **YES** to you?  
Then this 3 hour workshop is definitely for you.

## Discover how to:

- create more time and energy for yourself and your family
- have the courage to step up and live life on your terms
- Boost your confidence and step into your power
- gain clarity on your goals & create a personal road map to achieve them

**Date:** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April  
**Time:** 9.30am to 12.30pm (morning tea included)  
**Venue:** Gary Holland Centre, Rockingham  
**Investment:** \$49

Limited places available. Register today by emailing [jacqui@inspiringvision.com.au](mailto:jacqui@inspiringvision.com.au)  
or call 0413609257



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